

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 416

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jack and Rose Arnold of Arnold's Country Kitchen for winning the James Beard Foundation America's Classics Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those dining establishments that provide exemplary cuisine to our citizens, while also contributing to the culture of southern cooking that brings great pride to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, one such establishment is Arnold's Country Kitchen, which was recently honored with the prestigious and coveted America's Classics Award from the James Beard Foundation; and

WHEREAS, considered the Oscars of the food world, the James Beard Foundation Awards spotlight the best and brightest talent in all areas of the food and beverage industry, from chefs and restaurateurs to cookbook authors and food journalists to restaurant designers and architects and more; and

WHEREAS, offering the highest honor for food and beverage professionals working in North America, the foundation presents the America's Classics Awards to small, regional eateries that have supplied good, down-home food and unmatched hospitality for generations; and

WHEREAS, Arnold's County Kitchen, owned and operated by Jack and Rose Arnold, is a distinctive and neighborly meat-and-three that offers fried green tomatoes, creamy banana pudding, succulent roast beef, crisp fried chicken, and made-to-order cornbread that never fails to bring Nashville residents back for seconds; and

WHEREAS, Jack Arnold and his wife, Rose, have been at the helm of Arnold's Country Kitchen since 1983, cooking up fresh dishes for country stars, downtown business people, and ordinary folks looking for an economical and delectable southern meal; and

WHEREAS, the Arnolds will receive their award this spring at Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center in New York City, where they will be celebrated at a weekend of events that has become the social and gastronomic highlight of the year; and

WHEREAS, Arnold's Country Kitchen has become an institution in Nashville, serving the needs and culinary desires of its patrons for nearly three decades and bringing honor to the State of Tennessee by winning the dignified America's Classics Award, of which it was most deserving; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Jack and Rose Arnold, owners of Arnold's Country Kitchen, upon winning the America's Classics Award from the James Beard Foundation, commend their superior service, and extend to them our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.